



Homestead National Monument of America

2015 Special Events and Programs

America The Beautiful – Here By Design

Admission to all events, exhibits and displays – free!

Special Exhibits at the Education Center

February-March 2015: *2015 America the Beautiful Quarters*

April - September 2015: *Great Plains Ecotourism Coalition Poster Series*

September 2015 –February 2016: *Agrarian Art 1860s to 1940 – Photography from the Mark Moseman Collection*

November 29 – December 31, 2015: *Winter Festival of Prairie Cultures*

JANUARY

Every Sat. & Sun., 2 p.m.

3 & 4 2 p.m.

10 & 11 2 p.m.

17 & 18 2 p.m.

19 Monday, 2 p.m.

24 & 25 2 p.m.

31 Saturday, 1 pm

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7th Annual Homestead Film Festival: Ken Burns presents “The West”

Film Festival: “The People”

Film Festival: “Empire Upon the Trails”

Film Festival: “The Speck of the Future”

Tribute to Martin Luther King, Jr.- Film & Day of Service

Film Festival: “Death Runs Riot”

Junior Ranger Program – Kids, Explore your winter world!

Film Festival: “The Grandest Enterprise Under God”

FEBRUARY

Every Sat. & Sun., 2 p.m.

1 2 p.m.

7 & 8 2 p.m.

9 6 p.m.

10 10 a.m.

1 p.m.

14 & 15 2 p.m.

15 Sunday, 2 p.m.

21 & 22 2 p.m.

28 Saturday, 1 pm

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Film Festival: “Fight No More Forever”

Nebraska-Homestead Quarter Coin Forum

Nebraska-Homestead Quarter Launch & Coin Exchange

Nebraska-Homestead Quarter Launch & Coin Exchange Open House

Film Festival: “The Geography of Hope”

African-American History Month - Film

Film Festival: “Ghost Dance”

Junior Ranger Program – Kids, Explore your winter world!-

Film Festival: “One Sky Above Us”

MARCH

1 2 p.m.

3-4 Thursday - Friday

8 Sunday, 2 p.m.

28 Saturday, 1 pm

Film Festival: “One Sky Above Us”

Heartland Storytelling Festival

Women’s History Month Program - Speaker, Stephanie Whitson

Junior Ranger Program – Kids, Birding Basics!

APRIL

12 Sunday, 2 pm

18-26 Saturday - Sunday

18 Saturday, 1 pm

19 Sunday, 1 pm

25 Saturday, 9 a.m. - 3 p.m.

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Artist in Residence Presentation: Speaker, artist Frosty Chapman

National Park Week

National Jr. Ranger Day program - Kids, Explore your spring world!

“See the Great Plains” talk – Speaker, Katie Nieland

Get Out Get Fit Trail Walk (1 pm walk with Homestead Running Club)

Herd Dogs demonstration – Anja Becker and her dogs (and sheep and geese)

Artist in Residence Presentation: Speaker, artist Makenzie Younger

Susan Werner, performance – singer/songwriter, in partnership with

Lied “Arts Across Nebraska” program.

MAY

1	Friday, 8 – 9 a.m.	Birds & Bagels
2	Saturday, 8 – 9 a.m.	Birds & Bagels
23	Saturday, 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.	Tallgrass Prairie Fiddle Festival – aka Monumental Fiddling Championship

JUNE

5	Friday, 8 – 9 a.m.	Birds & Bagels
6	Saturday, 8 – 9 a.m.	Birds & Bagels
12	Friday, 2 p.m.	U.S. Immigration Naturalization Ceremony
14	Sunday, 2 p.m.	Jack Gladstone, performance – singer/songwriter
19-21	Friday - Sunday	Homestead Days 2015

JULY

Every	Saturday, 10 a.m.	Kids in Parks Program - <i>Nature Detective Series</i>
4	Saturday, 7 p.m.	Heritage Campfire Program
10-11	Friday-Saturday	Land Records and Genealogy Symposium
11	Saturday, 7 p.m.	Heritage Campfire Program
18	Saturday, 7 p.m.	Heritage Campfire Program
25	Saturday, 7 p.m.	Heritage Campfire Program

AUGUST

1	Saturday, 10 a.m.	Kids in Parks Programs - <i>Nature Detective Series</i>
1	Saturday, 7 p.m.	Heritage Campfire Program
8	Saturday, 7 p.m.	Heritage Campfire Program
25	Tuesday	Happy 99 th Birthday, National Park Service!

SEPTEMBER

5-7	Saturday-Monday	Labor Day – Living History Weekend
7	Monday, 2 p.m.	6 th Annual Old Fashioned Spelling Bee at the Freeman School
17	Thursday, 2 p.m.	U.S. Immigration Naturalization Ceremony – <i>Constitution Day</i>
22	Tuesday	Prairie Inspiration Writing Festival (<i>Grades 9-12</i>)
26	Saturday, 9:30 a.m.	Public Lands Day Volunteer Project – <i>Deer Survey</i>
27	Sunday, 2 p.m.	Prairie Appreciation Photography Festival to kick off Prairie Appreciation Week

OCTOBER

3	Saturday, 9:30 a.m.	Prairie Work Day - <i>A Prairie Appreciation Week Event</i>
4	Sunday, 2 - 4 p.m.	4 th Annual Homestead Hedge Apple Festival
7-9	Wed. - Fri.,	Pioneer Days (<i>Grade 4 - Reservations Required</i>)
11	Sunday, 2 p.m.	Family History Month - <i>Special Speaker</i>
24	Saturday, 6 p.m.	Howling Homestead

NOVEMBER

8	Sunday, 2 p.m.	American Indian Heritage Month Program - <i>Special Speaker</i>
27-29	Friday – Sunday	Junior Ranger Weekend
28	Saturday, 10 a.m.	Junior Ranger Program – <i>Kids, Explore your autumn world</i>
29	Sunday, 2 p.m.	Winter Festival of Prairie Cultures - <i>Special Speaker</i>

DECEMBER

6	Sunday, 2 p.m.	Winter Festival of Prairie Cultures Displays – <i>Closes December 31</i>
13	Sunday, 2 p.m.	Winter Festival of Prairie Cultures - <i>Special Speaker</i>
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Visitor Center Hours:
Mon-Fri: 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Sat-Sun: 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.
Trails Open Dawn till Dusk



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